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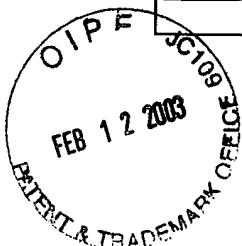
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In re Application of:  
David Becker et al.

Serial No.: 09/923,058

Filed: August 6, 2001

For: METHODS FOR ENHANCING SILICON  
DIOXIDE TO SILICON NITRIDE  
SELECTIVITY (AS PREVIOUSLY  
AMENDED)

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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

This paper responds to the election of species requirement mailed February 5, 2003, for which the one-month response date is March 5, 2003. Applicant believes this response is timely and that no fees are due. However, if any fees are due, this Office is authorized to deduct such fees from Deposit Account No. 01-2508/MCRO284-2.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.